

# Gateway Library

## Newsletter Spring 2008



*Faculty & Staff  
Professional Day  
Jan. 23, 2008*

*"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically...Intelligence plus character—that is the goal of true education."* Martin Luther King, Jr.

## New Library Director on Board

Please join us in welcoming the new Director of Library Services, Dr. Clara A. Ogbaa. Clara is returning with enthusiasm and leadership experience to Gateway, where she worked as a full-time librarian on the North Haven campus from 1995 to 1998 and part-time on the Long Wharf campus from 1998 to 2003. In the interim, she has served Texas State University as the Head of the Reference Department at the Alkek Library.

Clara also previously worked at SCSU's Buley Library for several years, culminating in her appointment there as Coordinator of Library Instruction. She has family members and many friends in CT and here at Gateway who have been eager to greet her on her return to this area.



In addition to her new job, Clara is also enjoying a new publication credit: she co-authored the chapter "Implementing Virtual Reference on the Fly: Staff Motivation and Buy-In", in the recently published book Virtual Reference Service: From Competencies to Assessment (Neal Schuman, 2008).

## Library Road Show

The library is currently working on a plan to bring information literacy to the classrooms sometime in the Spring. These would be short presentations focusing on a specific subject area, topic, or database of your choice. We will keep you posted once the details have been finalized but in the meantime don't forget to schedule your library instruction classes early—forms are available in the library or on the library's homepage under "Information for Faculty".



## New Materials

The new items list is now available online via the library homepage — click on "Find Books Here" then click on the "New at Gateway" tab.

## Library Hours

In order to support the Weekend College, the library has extended its weekend hours as follows:  
Fridays: 7:45-6:30  
Saturdays: 9:00-4:00

## Library Blog

Have you checked out (no pun intended) the library's blog yet? If not, go to the library's homepage and click on the cute librarian icon. You'll see current happenings in the library, important phone numbers, "Database of the Month" and much more. You can also comment on an entry so give us your feedback—we'd love to hear from you!

## Journal Alerts

Do you have a favorite journal or magazine that you read regularly? If so, why not have the articles automatically delivered into your email or RSS reader? To establish this free service you will need to do a short registration and the journal must be available in one of the library's databases. There are hundreds of titles to choose from in all subject areas and it only takes a few minutes to set-up. For more information or assistance call Martha Lipowski at 203-285-2053.

## Library Resources and myCommNet

Now that the Connecticut Community Colleges have migrated to myCommNet, students have access to all college services and WebVista with a single login. The library's databases are also only accessible off-campus via myCommNet. Once logged into the portal, to get to the list of databases click on the Library tab, then click on Gateway Community College under My Library Resources. The channel will open and the databases will appear under their subject headings.